



Executive Department
State of Idaho

The Office of the Governor
Proclamation

State Capitol
Boise

WHEREAS, the National Association of Professional Martial Artists and Project Action Foundation are celebrating National Martial Arts Day on October 13, 2007 to unite millions of children and adults who participate in the martial arts; and

WHEREAS, National Martial Arts Day seeks to introduce the values of self-control, self-discipline, personal defense and physical fitness for every age, race, gender and ability level; and

WHEREAS, martial arts provides a powerful foundation for emotional development and success skills that last a lifetime; and

WHEREAS, participating in martial arts builds strength, character, focus, flexibility and coordination while enhancing performance in other sports, in the workplace, at home and in school; and

WHEREAS, martial arts enhances self-esteem, goal-setting abilities, anger management and the skills of non-violent conflict resolution in people of all ages, helping them to become more productive and healthy people; and

WHEREAS, on National Martial Arts Day, martial arts schools across the United States partner with the National Association of Professional Martial Artists and Project Action Foundation to heighten the visibility of the arts and encourage participation at the grassroots level; and

WHEREAS, collectively, our nation strives to encourage greatness and achievement in our citizens;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, C.L. "BUTCH" OTTER, Governor of the State of Idaho, do hereby proclaim October 13, 2007, to be

NATIONAL MARTIAL ARTS DAY

in Idaho.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Idaho at Boise, Idaho, on this 2nd day of October in the year of our Lord two-thousand and seven and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred thirty-second and of the Statehood of Idaho the one hundred eighteenth.

A blue ink signature of C.L. "Butch" Otter is written over a horizontal line. The signature is stylized and cursive.

C.L. "BUTCH" OTTER
GOVERNOR

A blue ink signature of Ben Yursa is written over a horizontal line. The signature is stylized and cursive.

BEN YURSA
SECRETARY OF STATE